Amendment No. 2 to SJR0710

McNally Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Joint Resolution No. 710*

by deleting the first resolving clause in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF

REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that a majority of all the members of each house concurring, as shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals, that it is proposed:

That Article VI, Section 3, of the Constitution of Tennessee be amended by deleting the first and second sentences and by substituting instead the following:

Judges of the Supreme Court or any intermediate appellate court shall be appointed for a full term or to fill a vacancy by and at the sole discretion of the governor based on merit; shall be confirmed by the Legislature; and thereafter, shall be elected in a retention election by the qualified voters of the state. Confirmation by default occurs if the Legislature fails to reject an appointee within sixty calendar days of either the date of appointment, if made during the annual legislative session, or the convening date of the next annual legislative session, if made out of session. The Legislature is authorized to prescribe such provisions as may be necessary to carry out sections two and three of this article.